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SUBJECT: PORTUGAL UNDECIDED BUT INCLINED TO FAVOR CATEGORY
3 FOR BORATES AND BORIC ACID

REF: USDOC 5226

PolEconoff delivered reftel demarche on September 28 to Helena Cristina Horta, MFA desk officer in the Department for EU Internal Market & Scientific, Industrial and Technological Issues. Horta stated that Portugal had not reached a final decision on the borate and boric acid issue but was currently inclined to favor a Category 3 classification. She also promised to forward talking points to Ministry of Economy officials planning to attend the next ATP meeting.

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